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Dear Stakeholder:

We would like to invite you to participate in the Kansas Health Policy Authority (KHPA) Town Hall Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 6, 2006, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Plaza Hotel, 1911 East Kansas Avenue, Garden City, KS.

Attendees of the meeting will include members of the KHPA Board and full-time staff, as well as members of the general public. We will provide an update on the Authority, followed by public testimony from all interested in presenting, and will close with a question-and-answer session.

Your participation at this Town Hall meeting will be valuable to the Authority. Thus, we are inviting you to provide testimony related to the direction of the Kansas health system, as well as hear your opinion related to the possibility of the transfer of additional Medicaid-funded programs to KHPA such as mental health and long-term care services. If you are interested in providing testimony, please contact Luke Thompson at 785-296-7762, or Luke.Thompson@khpa.ks.gov by close of business on Friday, December 1st. Those who have made reservations will be allowed to testify first. In the interest of ensuring that everyone has an opportunity to testify, presentation length will be limited according to the number of presenters in attendance. Additionally, please bring eight copies of your written testimony.

To arrange for special accommodations, please call Marlene Shellenberger at 785-296-4767 or email her at: Marlene.Shellenberger@khpa.ks.gov by close of business on Tuesday, November 28th.

Thank you for your interest and willingness to work together with the Authority in the areas of access and affordability of health care, quality of service, healthy lifestyles, responsibility and stewardship with state resources, and education on health care delivery.

Sincerely,

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